what is the present position in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI BHAGEY GOBARDHAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The general approach in the Eighth Plan is to avoid a series of Special Area Development Programmes. Instead, the emphasis will be on general rural development to be effected through decentralised area planning undertaken by local bodies. In the hill areas, hill development will be the accent in oca development. The Centre may, however, assist in providing technical and other inputs to local authorities in fragile areas to draw up and implement ecologically sound programmes of area development on a sustained basis.

"ग" और "घ" श्रेणी की सेवाओं में अनुसूचित जातियों/अनुसूचित जनजातियो के व्यक्तियों की नियुक्ति

3162. **श्री राम जेठमलानी :** क्या **प्रधान मंत्री** यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि "ग" और "घ" श्रेणी की सेवाओं में पदों के लिए गठित चयन बोर्डों में अनुसूचित जातियों, अनुसूचित जनजातियों और अल्पसंख्यकों से सम्बन्धित व्यक्तियों की नियुक्ति करना अनिवार्य घोषित कर दिया गया है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो ऐसी नियुक्तियां को अनिवार्य करने का क्या उद्देश्य है ;

(ग) क्या यह भी सच है कि इन जातियों ने वर्तमान व्यवस्था में अविश्वास व्यक्त किया है ; और

(घ) यदि हां, तो इस सम्बन्ध में सरकार की क्या प्रतिक्रिया है ?

प्रधान मंत्री और कार्मिक, लोक शिकायत तथा पेंशन मंत्री (श्री विश्वनाथ प्रताप सिंह) : (क) और (ख) इस व्यवस्था के अनुदेश जारी किए गए हैं कि जहां कहीं कोई समूह 'ग" अथवा समूह "घ" पदों/सेवाओं में 10 अथवा इस से अधिक रिक्तियां पर भर्ती के लिए कोई चयन समिति/बोर्ड में अनुसूचित जातियों/अनुसूचित जनजातियों के एक सदस्य तथा अल्पसंख्यक समुदाय के एक सदस्य को लेना अनिवार्य होगा । इन नामांकनों को अनिवार्य बनाया गया है ताकि यह सुनिश्चित हो सके कि इन समुदायों के उम्मीदवार यह महसूस करें कि भर्ती के मामले में उनके साथ किसी भी तरह का भेदभाव नहीं रखा जा रहा है ।

(ग) जी, नहीं ।

(घ) प्रश्न नहीं उठता ।

Escape of Major-General involved in supply of Sub-standard Provisions to IPKF in Sri Lanka

3163. SHRI VIREN J. SHAH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news item which appeared in the 'Sunday Mail' dated the 19th August, 1990 under the caption 'Fugitive General escapes again';

(b) if so, whether it is a fact that Major General V. P. Gupta, allegedly involved in the scandal for supplying sub-standard provisions purchased at very high rates, to IPKF in Sri Lanka, who had jumped off a train while being escorted by Army officials three months ago, was seen and recognised by the I.B. and CBI officials, who in turn informed the Army authorities;

(c) if so, what are the reasons for not taking any action to take him into custody for further interrogation;

(d) if the answer to parts (c) and (d) above be in the negative, what steps are being taken to apprehend him quickly;

(e) whether any other Army officers involved in the scandal have been identified; if so, what action is being taken against them; and

(f) by when enquiry into the matter is expected to be concluded?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (DR. RAZA RAMANNA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Army authorities have not received any such information.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) All States and Union Territories' civil police authorities, CBI and military formations and units have been asked to take appropriate action including necessary surveillance to apprehend the absconding General Officer. Action has also been initiated to attach his immovable properties after declaring him a proclaimed offender by the appropriate judicial authorities.

(e) Yes, Sir. Two other officers involved in this case have since been tried by General Court Martial.

(f) The enquiry in this case is already completed and disciplinary action against the three officers was initiated on the basis of the enquiry report. One of them has already been sentenced. Maj. Gen. A. K. Gupta can be tried by a Court of law only after he is apprehended.

Vacancies in Central Administrative Tribunal, New Bombay

3164. DR. BAPU KALDATE: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the post of Vice-Chairman, Central Administrative tribunal, New Bombay, has been lying vacant since October, 1989;

(b) whether the post of a second Member of the Tribunal is also lying vacant since February, 1990 after the retirement of Shri B. M. Majumdar;

(c) if so, what are the reasons for not filling up these posts so far; and

(d) what steps are contemplated by Government to fill up the vacancies?

THE PRIME MINISTER AND MINISTER OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI VISHWANATH PRATAP SINGH): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir.

(c) and (d) The vacant posts of Vice-Chairman and Member (Judicial) in the New Bombay Bench of the Central Administrative Tribunal are expected to be filled up soon.

Opening of technical and science colleges in the country

3165. SHRI VITHALRAO MADHAVRAO JADHAV:
SHRI PRABHAKAR B. KORE:
SHRI H. HANUMANTHAPPA:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) in what manner Government propose to solve the problem of educational thrust of the large number of students who want to secure admissions in technical and science colleges in Delhi and other parts of country how much expenditure would be involved; and

(b) what are Government's plan to create technical manpower in the 8th Five Year Plan and what is the planning for their employment?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHIMAN BHAI MEHTA): (a) Technical and Science institutions are established by the States/UTs taking into account several factors such as manpower requirement development of emerging areas, demand etc. Delhi Administration proposes to augment intake capacity in the existing courses and